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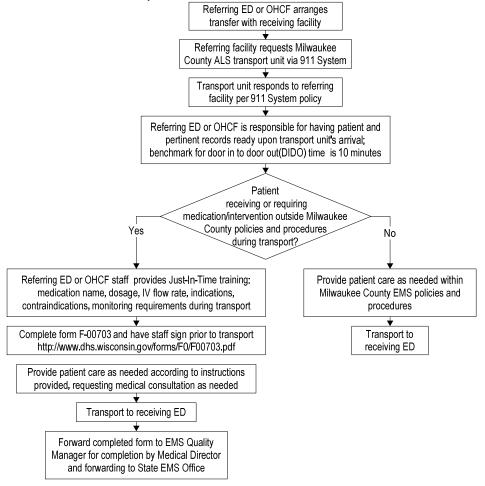
## MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS OPERATIONAL POLICY INTERFACILITY TRANSPORTS

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Scope of Practice <i>may</i> include:	Scope of Practice <i>does not</i> include:
Patients paralyzed and intubated	Managing chest tubes
Pre-administration of pain medication and/or antibiotics	Administration of blood products
Blood products already administered	IV pumps
·	Management of other medical devices

**POLICY:** Upon request, Milwaukee County ALS units will transport a patient from one emergency department (ED) or outpatient health care facility (OHCF) to another receiving emergency department within the Milwaukee County EMS System in accordance with System policies and procedures.

If a physician has directed patient transfer to another facility, the receiving hospital has already agreed to accept and is expecting arrival of the patient, regardless of diversion status. If, for any reason, transport is delayed, destination change is requested, or patient is refusing the transfer, Milwaukee County EMS medical control must be contacted.



## NOTES:

- Even thought the patient appears stable and transport is for urgent continuing care (STEMI > cath lab, trauma > Trauma Surgery, etc.):
  - Attempt to meet 10-minute door-in-door-out (DIDO) time standard, documenting any cause for delay in transport
  - Cautiously expedite transport with lights and siren
- Milwaukee County Paramedics may not provide care outside the policies and procedures of Milwaukee County EMS Plan.
- Pertinent records that usually accompany the patient may include, but are not limited to lab and/or x-ray reports, ED treatment, and nursing notes.